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"DRAFT REPOSITORY SEIS, DRAFT NEVADA RAIL CORRIDOR SEIS, and DRAFT RAIL ALIGNMENT

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COMMENTS ABOUT WHY YUCCA MOUNTAIN (NEVADA) IS NOT A SUITABLE LOCATION TO PERPETUALLY STORE DANDEROUS AND TOXIC HIGH-LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTES WILL BE BRIEF AND TO-THE-POINT! Transporting canisters of high-level radwaste on trucks, trains, and barges through 45 states and the District of Columbia would create possible 'Mobile Chernobyls' (severe accidents) and 'dirty bombs-on-wheels' (terrorist attacks) for millions of us. The USDOE awarded a contract to design these TAD (Transport, Aging, and Disposal) canisters to Holtec International—a company seriously violating federal quality assurance (QA) regulations. Because the Western Shoshone Native American Nation is firmly against the high-level nuclear waste repository at its sacred Yucca Mountain (within its treaty lands), the proposed USDOE project is a "human rights violation/environmental racism." Using just "Standard or Reference Man" (a young, healthy adult white male WHICH SHOULD BE 'RETIRED'), the USDOE did NOT analyze the adverse health effects of Yucca Mountain's radwaste leakage into the groundwater (drinking water) supply on pregnant women, fetuses, infants, children, the elderly, and others with compromised immune systems. RESPECTIVLY SUBMITTED, DENNIS R. NELSON.

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